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ply to the Evening terus. Nor do the rates of that teru y to the Morning Edition.

A RESPONSE TO THE MESSAGE.

The pretense of three or four narrow-gauge Republican Senators that they are so concerned about the dangerous Treasury surplus as to be unwilling to take a holiday recess, is the greatest exhibition of pure "gall" lately seen in the Senate.

Throughout four successive sessions of Congress the Republican members have stood solidly against even giving consideration to the subject of tax reduction. During all this time they have introduced, pushed and voted for the most reckless appropriations, with the avowed purpose of spending the surplus.

Their sudden awakening to the demand of the people for relief shows that the Presifient's Message has had its designed effect.

PARTY PLATFORMS.

"What are platforms for?" asks an ingenuous morning contemporary.

According to the old Whig ralies, who call themselves "Protectionist Democrats," platforms are made to catch voters with, and then to be broken.

President CLEVELAND's idea is that platforms are made to express a party's principles and outline its policy, and should be honestly carried out when the party obtains

VIRTUES, NOT FAULTS.

At the working-women's meeting last night one speaker, objecting to the remission of fees to any member of the proposed union, said "women are so proud and sensitive-it's their great fault."

We beg the fair orator's pardon, but the pride and sensitiveness of womankind are not faults at all. They are among her greatest virtues. They are needed to offset the lack of pride and the callousness which prosaic and humdrum lives develop in so

many men. It is because of the working-women's pardonable pride and her sensitiveness to unjust treatment that they are endeavoring to organize for their own protection. If their employers and masculine co-laborers had more of these qualities, the scales of Justice would balance more evenly.

BOTTEN-RIPE.

The morning news of the brutal and scandalous conduct of another English Duke, in keeping his mistress at his bedside during an alarming illness, to the exclusion of his famfly, and finally going off with the woman for a long cruising debauch on his yacht, shows up " the nobility " in colors that can hardly prove attractive to its worshippers in this country.

The assumption of superiority by the aristoeracy of England cannot much longer withstand the demonstrated incapacity to govern wisely and justly, and the repeated disclosures of unspeakable moral rottenness that have come in the last few years.

The titled young nincompoops are rotten before they are ripe, and the titled old duffers rot after they ripen.

MRS. CROWLEY'S HARD LOT.

There never was a more pitiable case of the wife suffering for the husband's misdeeds than that of Mrs. CROWLEY. While CROWLEY himself is growing fat in Sing Sing, she and the little ones are continually struggling with the wolf at the door.

Mrs. Chowley should at least be assisted to a comfortable self-maintenance. This is a but for the far West trade the pocket is made deep good season for good works. THE WORLD will gladly again receive contributions for her relief.

"THE LADIES' WINDOW."

The wave of reform, which out in Kansas has already engulfed chewing gum and slang, and which over in New Jersey threatens to undermine the supremacy of bangs and bustles, is now eddying about that popular institution of the New York Post-Office known as the "Ladies' Window."

It is urged against this " window " chiefly that it affords romantic young misses an opportunity to carry on clandestine corremos. Shades of Juliet! do the iconcelasts suppose that the abolishment of

the general delivery department of the Post-Office would prevent the writing and receiving of a tabooed billet-doux? In such case, Love, though generally supposed to have a hilarious contempt for locksmiths, could find even more secrecy in a P. O. lock box of his

But it would not be amiss to reform the name. Call it the "Women's Window." There's enough style about that for anybody.

DON'T NEGLECT THE NINTH.

The Ninth Regiment boys very naturally object to drilling in an old shell, condemned for three years by the Building Department, with temperature at freezing point and with the air vitiated by fumes from the stable below.

New York's militia deserves better treatment than this. If it is decided that the Ninth must wait two years for its new armory, the regiment should be immediately supplied with a better temporary drilling hall.

Don't neglect our soldier boys.

Secretary FAIRCHILD has done the fair thing in giving the Treasury Department a fourth man in the Custom-House impliand Custom-House employees a holiday on the day after Christmas and New Year's. It would be awfully mean in Uncle Sam to deprive his servants of an opportunity to get some merriment out of the holidays. Now let the other departments do likewise.

What's all this bosh about American an cestry? There is certainly a good deal more style about coming over in a Cunarder than in those leaky old packets, whose pumps were going half the time to keep them affoat.

"Chestnuts!" The talk about reporting the Appropriation Bills "early in the session." But it ought to be done.

SWINDURNE "lampooning GLADSTONE" suggests the ambitious attempt of a pismire to worry a mastiff.

Young Prince WILLIAM needs to be protected against the hankering of children for edge tools.

According to Mayor Hawrry, the "Vans" are in the rear.

The Harrison boom in Indiana "died

BILL NYE AS A SOCIETY BUD.

a-bornin'."

He is Giving Out Invitations Already for the Next Patriarche' Ball. Mr. William Nye:

to get tickets for the next Patriarchs' Ball in New York City? My wife and I read an account of the ast one in THE WORLD, and there were so many nice people there that we want to go to the next one if the tickets are not too high. Inclosed find stamped envelope for reply. Yours respect.

SYLVESTER P. AMES. Long Island City, Dec. 21. You certainly would find a nice class of people at the Patriarcha' Balls, Sylvester, and I will see what I can do about getting tickets for you. I your wife ever attracted any attention as a débu

would like to ask you, however, if either you or ante? Because if you have, it would help you. A débutante in New York is going to attract attention this season than a parior humorist. If I had my life to live over again I would do nothing else. It is a mad, joyous life, under the brilliant Mermet and Marshall O'Nell roses, fitting fro flower to flower, eating frosted cake and débutting. We would be pleased to see you at any of these balls, I assure you. Yours truly, BILL NYE.

WORLDLINGS.

A bureau of journalism has been established at Johns Hopkins University and is now under ful headway.

A joint stock company composed entirely women, has been incorporated in Stockton, Cal., for the purpose of dealing in real estate.

Donna Juana Parraga v. de Fuenzalida has just She flived to see her great-great-great-grandchil

The City of Mezico levies a tax on bull-fights of 15 per cent, of the gross receipts, and thus far this season the city treasury has been enriched \$40,000

Beavers are found in considerable numbers or Rocky Creek and other small streams near Macon. Ga., and local trappers are making anug sums by capturing them. An average skin brings \$2.50 in the Macon market.

Homer J. Norton, a clerk in the Tax Collector's office in San Francisco, died last week of conges-tion of the lungs, caused, so the Coroner's verdict declared, by excessive cigarette smoking. He was twenty-three years old.

A Paris ragpicker who had been sentenced to one month's imprisonment for vagabondage, turned towards his counsel and contemptuously called him "cow." For this little exhibition of temper he was given an extra term of two years.

Near Mocksville, N. C., there is a haunted church in which shricks and groans of spirits evidently in distress are heard at all hours of the night. Many of the church members have attempted to invest gate the phenomena, but thus far without success.

Mr. James Rosp's little son of Roupville, Ga., had been deaf for several years, and a physician who treated him was unable to afford relief. The other day, while Mrs. Roup was washing the boy's face, she pulled out from his ear a blade of stray two inches long. His deafness has since disappeared.

Hill Foster, a negro living at Salem, N. C., was bitten by a mad dog a few days ago and a friend applied a madatone to the wound. The stone stuck to the wound for three days, and when it finally dropped off it was found to be filled with faint streaks of green, which indicated the course of the poison. Foster has felt no further inconvenience

from the bite. A Chicago clothing manufacturer says that he is bliged to pay particular attention to the hip pockets which he puts in trousers destined for the Vestern trade. H s Kansas and Iowa customers demand a pocket capable of holding a quart flask, and narrow, with an unusually strong lining, so

that a pistol will fit snugly in it. A fire in the schoolhouse of the Sisters of Mercy at San Francisco recently destroyed a rare piece of Gobelin tapestry which had been presented to the Staters by the late Father Gailagher. It represented the Saviour as he appeared to the disciples after the resurrection and originally adorned the walls of the chapel of Queen Marie Antoinette. Its intrinsic value was placed at \$5,000.

Rewarded.

(From Puck.)
"Why, how is this, Mr. Beat? I hear you've got the nerve to go around telling people that you're loing a better business than you ever did before; and yet you know you haven't paid me a cent of rent in the past six months."

'Well, I think that's doing pretty well. You're the first man I've struck who'd let me get into him more than three weeks. That's the reason I'm making such a long stay with you."

ONE MORE ARREST TO COME.

THE NEXT STEP TO BE TAKEN IN THE

PUBLIC STORES ROBBERY CASE.

Treasury Agents Looking for the Clerk is the Custom-House Who Helped Inspector Byrnes's Prisoners to Steni the Silk-Suspicion Narrowed to Haif a Dozen Mon-Taken to Court To-Day and Remanded.

Collector Magone has not yet entered complaint against the silk thieves, Andy Roberts. Michael O'Brien and George Williams, who were caught by Inspector Byrnes.

Last night the three men occupied cells at Police Headquarters, and a more disheartened trio than they were this morning it would be hard to find.

Despite the efforts made to ascertain the Custom-House clerk who is supposed to have been in collusion with the thieves, the detectives are as much in the dark now as ever. Inspector Byrnes scouts the idea that there was such collusion, or he appears to, at least. He knows nothing about it, he says, and apparently doesn't believe that there was

Early this morning Gen. Foster, Assistant United States District-Attorney, despatched two trusty United States officers to the Custom-House to confer with the Collector. Their discussion was private and consumed the best part of an hour. From all that can be learned it was decided not to make any complaint yet, but to wait further developments.

Clerks in the Appraiser's office were sumnoned to Inspector Byrnes's office this morning, to identify the goods if possible.

When this is done and the accompanying details of that investigation are completed, it is likely that Collector Magone will make the

ormal charge.
Assistant United States District-Attorney

Assistant United States District-Attorney O'Connor was summoned to the Inspector's office about 11 o'clock and a conference was had as to the best method of procedure.

The question has already been raised whether the case will be tried in the United States or in a State court, but Gen. Foster thinks the act of forgery of the orders was in this case a crime against the Federal laws and that the case must be tried in a United State court.

State court.

Maurice Holahan, Chief of the Treasury special agents at the Custom-House, said to a reporter of The World this morning: "The arrest of the outside parties, who actually carried out the robbery at the Public Stores, is only the first step in the proceedings which will throw light on the whole scheme.

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"It is more evident than ever since the arrests made by Inspector Byrnes, that the plans of the forger Andy Roberts and his accomplice, O'Brien, could not have been carried out without assistance from the inside. "We have now narrowed down the suspected parties to half a dozen individuals, who are being kept under the most rigid surveillance. The guilty parties are certain to be captured in the end, but I can give no names at present, for it might be casting an unjust suspicion upon innocent persons. unjust suspicion upon innocent persons,

I think you can safely count, however,
on all the facts coming out within two or three days.

The three prisoners were taken before United States Commissioner Shields shortly of the suggestion of United States Dis trict-Attorney O'Connell, the United States authorities left the men in the custody of the State officials, and for the present will not

touch the case.

The prisoners remained in Commissioner Shields's office about ten minutes and then were taken back to Inspector Byrnes's office. This afternoon they will be taken before a police magistrate, who will remand them until to-morrow.

The prisoners seemed unconcerned when taken before the Commissioner and eagerly read the accounts of their arrest while their case was being discussed. touch the case.

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MRS. BURGESS'S STRANGE STORY.

An Investigation by the Police to Learn She Was Drugged and Robbed.

Inspector Williams has begun an investigation to learn the true inwardness of the alleged drugging and robbery of Mrs. Mamie Burgess, of 175 Franklin street, Greenpoint.

The Mulberry street precinct returns merely mention the fact that Mrs. Burgess was taken l in a telegraph office on Grand street, near the Bowery, and was sent to St. Vincent's Hospital in an ambulance. The physician in charge at that institution declares that Mrs. Burgess was suffering from the effects of a

drug, not from excessive use of liquor.

The local police regard it as singular that the woman was bareheaded when she entered the telegraph office, claiming that her \$15 hat as well as her pocketbook had been stolen by the "unknown man," to whom she was introduced on Tuesday evening by a lady, and whose name she could not remember. The police theory is that a prudent married woman does not visit restaurants and drink woman does not visit restaurants and drink beer with strangers, and granting that her pocketbook may have been stolen, they are at a loss to account for the theft of a bonnet. Inspector Williams proposes to have the matter thoroughly investigated, and sent for Capt. Meakim, to whom he gave instructions to trace the antecedents of Mrs. Burgess and try and verify her story. The fact that Mrs. Burgess stayed all night in the telegraph office will also be investigated. will also be investigated.

Merely a Friendly Demonstration. Daniel Hill, of 158 East Forty-second street vent to Jersey City yesterday afternoon to cal apon his two nephews, William and Patrick Lillis,

upon his two hepnews, william and Patrick Lillis, who keep a saloon as the corner of Henderson and Eighteenth atreets. A few minutes later Hill was picked up for dead and carried to the First Precinct Station-House. His relations had knocked him down and beaten him into insensibility.

At Police Headquarters in Jersey City this morning Hill, whose features were hardly discernible through the cuts and blood, said that he did not want to be hard on the boys, as it was "a bit of a friendly affair." The Lillies were held for trial.

Written on the Hotel Registers. William M. Scott, of England, reached the Hoff-man House to-day. Assemblyman Tremont Cole, of Walkins, is at the Fifth Avenue

Congressman Leopold Morse, of Boston, is a guest of the Windsor. Beaumont, of Her Majesty's Service in Capt. Beaumont, of E India, is at the Brevoort.

Benjamin Flagier, of the Standard Oil Company, a registered at the Gilsey. Capt, and Mrs. Thomas Post, of Albany, are staying at the Sturtevant. The St. James shelters J. H. Saville, of Washing ton, and ex-Congressman Milton Sayler.

Gen, and Mrs. Benet are at the Grand. Gen. Benet is Chief of Ordnance at Washington. The Victoria received to-day another brief visit from Congressman Wm. Bourke Cockran and Mrs. Cockran. J. C. Bancroft Davis, of Washington, ex-Min-ister to Germany, and Mrs. Davis have registered

at the Brevoort. A large party of West Point Cadets are to react lown to-morrow and will make the Sturtevant their leadquarters. Ex-Senator John R. Doolittle, of Wisconsin, and

Gov. P. C. Lounsbury, of Connecticut, are recent arrivals at the Murry Hill Hotel. Chester Holcombe, ex-Secretary of Legation : Pekin, and Col. S. J. Tilden, of New Lebanon, as among those recently registered on the Windsor book.

Col. Frank A. Dillon, of Chicago, and Charles E. Cole, General Eastern Freight Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, are staying at the St. James.

"GREEN GOODS" IN JERSEY CITY.

An Alleged Operator Caught After Eluding the Police for Several Days.

George D. Peters, alias Haight, an alleged green-goods man, was arrested in Jersey City ast night and locked up in the First Precinct Station-House until this morning, when he was turned over to United States Commissioner Muirhead, by whom he was held for

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Feters has been operating, it is suspected, for several days, having his letters addressed to a store in the upper part of the city, but as he knew all the members of the police force, he managed to elude them successfully.

Last evening Policeman Reardon saw Peters near the ferry in company with a New York crook, and arrested him. In his pockets were found several slips of paper bearing addresses, principally of Western and Southern people, a duplicate list of which was found later in the store at which he received his mail.

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He had also several newspaper clippings descriptive of the operations of the saw-dust swindlers. The late mail brought a letter from Springfield, Va.

BEAUTIFYING A POLICE COURT. Extensive Alterations in the Gloomy Old Room in the Tombs.

Those who remember the low-ceilinged Court-room of the Tombs as it appeared six months ago would hardly recognize the old place this morning. Extensive alterations have been made in the interval, and business was resumed there for the first time today. A surprising change has been effected in the old chamber of justice. Instead of being the darkest and worst ventilated court-room in the city, it has become the lightest and most cheerful.

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The ceiling has been raised ten feet by the removal of the "ten-day" cells under the roof, and an ample air-shaft, culminating in a glass dome, rises in the centre.

The room has been repainted, the floor relaid and the unsightly old benches have been replaced by comfortable seats. A new heating apparatus has been put in, and the flooring of the judge's bench newly carpeted.

Sergt. Reimsch and the men of his command are proud of their new quarters, and have announced a firm determination to keep the lawyers and reporters within their prescribed limits.

MRS. ESSLINGER'S SUCCESSOR.

The Emigration Commissioners May Lock Horns Over Her Appointment.

The Commissioners of Emigration will hold a meeting next Thursday, when the question of appointing a matron in place of Mrs. Esslinger, who died recently, will be discussed.

The injustice of promoting any one over Mrs. Struckland, who has faithfully per-formed the duties of assistant for more than three years, has been recognized, and it is not thought probable that the woman who woman who

not thought probable that the woman who was recently appointed will get the position. She will be appointed as assistant to Mrs. Struckland.

If it is attempted by any of the Commissioners to appoint Mrs. Weiman over Mrs. Struckland, a lively time may be expected. Commissioner Stephenson has pledged himself to take up the fight for Mrs. Struckland, and will with all his impetuosity fight for his choice. As the controversy has been made public, the antagonistic Commissioners may settle their difficulties before the Board meets, and decide not to have a public oratorical contest. torical contest.

CHARLES LAIRD'S PECULIARITIES.

A Passion for Burning Clothing and Shifting the Furniture About. Charles Laird has been living with his mar-

ried daughter, Mrs. Louisa Engle, at No. 83 Carmine street. Recently he developed several peculiari

ties, one of them being to collect all the loose clothing he could lay his hands on, put it in the stove and watch it burn. Another was to constantly change the position of the furniture in the recovery furniture in the rooms. He would even get up in the middle of the

night and move every article to some new part of the house.

Last night he was arrested as a lunatic, and Mrs. Engle appeared against him. At the Jefferson Market Police Court this morning, he was sent to Bellevue Hospital for exam-ination.

UNEASY ABOUT THE RAFT.

Shipowners Fear That It Will Wreck Some

The big timber raft now floating about the Atlantic a menace to navigators has not as yet been sighted since it was lost by the Miranda last Saturday. A large number of steamers and coasting vessels arrived this morning, but none of them saw the floating

The officials at the Maritime Exchange are anxiously awaiting some information of the raft, and many inquiries are made of them by raft, and many inquiries are made of them by various shipping men having vessels upon the Atlantic, who will carry more contented minds when the drifting monster is found and hauled out of the track of vessels.

The searching parties sent out by the Government have been out too short a time to have seen anything of the raft. They will steam directly for the spot where the Miranda lost the raft, thence taking a zigzag course in the vicinity.

the vicinity. The prevalent opinion among seamen is that the lumber is too bulky to have floated any distance during the three days in which any distance durin it has been adrift.

Had the Watch in His Pocket. Joseph Esgan, age eighteen years, of 831 East One Hundred and Fourth street, and Joseph Mur-

One Hundred and Fourth street, and Joseph Murray, age sixteen years, of 856 East One Hundred and Fourth street, were arraigned in the Harlem Folice Court this morning for stealing a watch from the person of John Murphy, of 812 East Highty-second street, while Murphy was drunk last night. Murray proved his innocence and was discharged. Eagan, however, had the watch in his possession when arrested. Justice White held him in \$1,900 ball for trial.

Westchester Burglars Indicted. Mason and Morrell, the burglars who robbed Bank President Bradley's house in Dobb's Ferry

early on Sunday morning last, have been indicted by the Weatchester Grand Jury. The prinoners will be tred at the next County Court of Seasons. Hoth have been identified as expert cracksmen. Mason is wanted in Massachusetts for a bank burg-lary committed there. Sympathizing With the Patriots. meeting of Irish sympathizers was held in St Michael's Institute, Jersey City, last night. Mayor Cleveland presided. Speeches were made by ex-Gov. Abbett, Moors. De Concilito and others. Resolutions were adopted condemning the Eng-lish Tory Government and sympathizing with the Irish patriots. The Davitt Rifles attended in full

Tired of Keeping a Lodging-House. The police of the Twenty-seventh Precinct grew weary of having regular lodgers stay at the stationhouse every night, and accordingly arraigned eighteen of them at the Harlem Police Court in morning. Three of the number were discharged and the others were sent to then Island for three

The Citizens' Association of Mount Vernon, or which Charles H. Wilson is President, will hold a special meeting on Jan. 7 to discuss the question of applying for a city charter for Mount Vernon, which is at present an incorporated village with a population of about 12,000.

Mount Vernon Considering Promotion.

Christman Hog-Guessing Matches. There are to be several old-fashloned hog-guing meetings at White Plains, Mount Vernon and other places in Westchester County on Christmas

BARRICADED IN A PARLOR.

REMARKABLE ATTEMPT AT EVICTION IN NEWBURYPORT, MASS.

The Family of Daniel Johnson Being Driver From the House They Have Occupied For Thirty Years-The Chimney Choked So that No Fire Could Be Built-Six Persons Huddled Together, in One Room.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Dec. 22.-The people of the South End are deeply excited over the attempted eviction of the family of Daniel Johnson from premises on Marlboro street

occupied by them for thirty years. The Johnsons have occupied the premise rent free during this time, by reason of a son being heir-at-law at the decease of the owner.

It seems that a short time ago Miss Abbie A. Smith, a relative of the Johnsons by intermarriage, claimed to have purchased the life-interest of the owner, and since then has tried in various ways to oust the John-sons. The matter culminated on Monday, when George Jenkins, of Lynn, who claims to have leased the premises, put in an appear-ance and demanded that the Johnsons should

move out immediately.

The head of the family, Daniel Johnson, being ill, and a daughter also being confined to a bed, they refused to move.

to a bed, they refused to move.

Jenkins and two assistants proceded to put the household goods into the street. The family were forced from room to room, until they finally reached the parlor, where the sick girl was, and the doors of this they barricaded as best they could not be evicted, Jenkins placed his assistants in a room overhead, where they remained, their food being sent them from Miss Smith.

The Johnsons, six in number, huddled in the parlor Monday night, keeping warm by means of a small kerosene stove. Tuesday the neighbors furnished them fuel, but when they started the fire it was found that the chimney had been choked by covering the top with a door.

removed forthwith, and will remove the cov-ering on their own responsibility if the keepers fail to do so.

Meanwhile the Johnsons are ensconced in the parlor behind barricaded doors, and their meals are passed in to them by neighbors.

The outcome of the affair is awaited with

top with a door.
The Board of Engineers have ordered this

DOGS MUST BE REGISTERED.

Their Pedigree Must be Known Before They Enter a Bench Show.

All the kennel clubs of any importance in the country belong to the American Kennel Club Association. This club has lately caused something of a ripple in dog circles by following the example of the English Kennel Club in making the registration of dogs com-

pulsory. This registry is the official record of all dogs entered at bench shows, or of all straight-bred dogs.

The American Kennel Club has conducted this registry for a year, with the result that

this registry for a year, with the result that some 2,000 dogs are on its rolls. The fact of making it compulsory will have the effect of elevating all the bench shows of the country to a higher plane of excellence. The registration fee is only 50 cents.

A paper in town has published an "American Kennel Registry," edited by James Watson. This is a private speculation, and the compulsory registration of dogs in the American Kennel Club Association will hurt it financially. So the Watson interest antagonizes it. nizes it.
The New England Kennel Club and the

New Haven Kennel Club have resigned from the Association. The former will probably recall its resignation, as the Fox Terrier Club and the Collie Club will not have their stakes decided at the Boston bench show stakes accided at the Boston bench show otherwise, since any prizes that they might win would not be be recognized by the association of the American Kennel Club.

As the Collie Club-contemplates a prize of \$500, open to all, it would be a great card for the Boston show and would attract many entries. It is the largest prize yet offered for dogs.

dogs. The Watson interest antagonizes this movement of the American Kennel Club, and some of the clubs have thought that the ruling might affect their shows in which many enter dogs which have not been registered.

The rule goes into effect the 1st of January, and the Westminster Kennel Club's show in February will help to show any possible results, good or bad, from the new rule.

MUSICIANS TO MAKE A PROTEST.

They Object to Competition from Men in the Government Service. The encroachments of military and naval bands on the rights of civil musicians formed the subject of a report from a special committee to the Board of Directors of the Musical Mutual Protective Union at a meet-

ing to-day. It was shown that the Government hands at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard, Fort Hamilton, West Point, David's Island, Annapolis and Newport are in the habit of per-forming outside of those places when-ever they can obtain engagements, and for rates far below those which the union musicians can afford to play, while the army and navy musicians also receive pay from the

Government. The Board decided to bring the matter The Board decided to bring the matter prominently before the proper authorities.

The union's delegate to the coming Convention of the National League of Musicians will also present it before that body.

Treated His Sister Shabbily. Mrs. Ann Brady, of 15 Charlton street, appeared n the Jefferson Market Police Court this morning sgainst her brother, Thomas Miles, twenty-six years of age, who refuses to work at his trade of narness-maker and who has been living on her. He also abused her and stole her pocketbook and keys of her room. After spending all her money in liquor he returned her empty pocketbook, but kent her keys.

in liquor he returned her empty pocketbook, but kept her keys.

She obtained a warrant for his arrest. Court Of-ficer Bowes went last night to get him, and found him in a liquor saloon in Weat Houston street. Miles resisted arrest. He had to be knocked down be-fore he would submit. In the Jefferson Market Police Court this morning he was held in \$1,000 for his good behavior. Bent His Wife and Daughter.

Andreus Hannah, age fifty-nine years, was arested last night on complaint of his wife, Sarah, for being drunk and abusive. Hannak has recently been in the habit of beating his wife and his grown daughter whenever he goes home intoxicated. They could not stand it any longer, and called Poileeman Rook into 255 West Thirty-second atrect to take him out. This morning Justice Patterson held him in \$500 ball for assault.

Samuel Johnson, of Wappinger's Falls, arrived here to-day in answer to a telegram sent by the proprietor of Sweeney's Hotel, and claimed the body of Alexander Johnson, his father, who fell dead from heart disease in front of 51 West Fourth street yesterday. Old Mr. Johnson was sixty years old, lived at 212 Main street, Poughkeepsle, and was travelling salesman for a tobacco manufac-tory.

Came to Claim His Father's Body,

Brooklyn News at a Glance.

Miss Mary Jever is \$49 poorer to-day than she was resterday, a thief having relieved her yester-day of that amount of money. Louis Cantano, John Plotett, William Christenso and Hugh Langdon were arrested yesterday afternoon as they were walking along Eighth avenue with five bags of lead pipe, weighing 200 pounds, which they had stolen from some new building in the neighborhood. BEATEN BY BILLY M'GLORY.

Policeman Surre Accused of Clubbing a Hackman for Asking for McGlory's Arrest.

Billy McGlory, the notorious dive-keeper, has come before the public again in an unenviable manner. He assaulted Fred Meyers, a hack-driver,

at midnight in the presence of Policeman Joseph E. Surre, of the Elizabeth street Precinct. Instead of making an arrest, the accommodating policeman, it is alleged, clubbed the hackman.

Meyers called on Supt. Murray this morning to make a complaint against Policeman Surre. He said that McGlory sent for a coupe, and when he drove up, the divekeeper brought two women from his Armory Hall and wanted them driven to their home in Forty-sixth street. Meyers demanded \$2 in advance, when McGlory struck out with his left, landing it squarely on cabby's eye, welling and the leavest of the street of the square of the street of the square of

his left, landing it squarely on cabby's eye, swelling and discoloring it.

Policeman Surre, according to Meyers's statement, stood by, saw the whole affair and rather enjoyed the assault. Meyers demanded that he arrest McGlory, when Surre drew his night stick, ordered the hackman to get off the post at once and struck him several blows with his club, to the infinite delight of Billy McGlory.

Meyers drove to the Elizabeth street police station and says that Sergeant Thompson very reluctantly gave Surre's name and declared that he did not know his number. When told what had occurred, he declined to take any steps in the matter.

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After telling his story to Supt. Murray and agreeing to appear to morrow morning to prefer formal charges against Surre, Meyers vent to the Tombs to secure a warrant for McGlory's arrest.

When asked what kind of a place McGlory

runs in Armory Hall, Myers said: "The same as he always did—an early variety show and a dance, and liquors are sold to men and women. In a word it is a dive such as McGlory is noted for, and the police know it."

ALL SAID THEY WERE PEDDLERS. Five Thieves Nabbed While Leaving a Hard-

ware Store Laden with Plunder. For the last two months Kearney & Foote, hardware merchants, 101 Fulton street, have been missing goods from their store. They employed private detectives, who failed to discover the thieves, and then went to Inspector Byrnes, who detailed Detective Sergeants Reilly, Keirnan, Lewis, Creed and

Titus to watch the place.

Last evening the detectives saw five men Last evening the detectives saw five men enter the store and remain there for fifteen minutes, when they came out with packages under their coats. They were arrested.

About \$500 worth of hardware was found on them and they were locked up at the Central Office. They were recognized as thieves who have been in prison at different times

who have been in prison at different times for larceny.

They gave their names as John Gable, twenty-six years, of 10 Willett street; Peter Dalton, twenty-three years old, of 95 Sheriff street; James Roberts, twenty-seven years old, of 98 Sheriff street, Joseph Meyer, twenty-seven years old, of 51 Sheriff street, and James McMahon, aged twenty-one, of 8 Pitt street. They all said they were pedlers.

WRECKS ALONG THE SOUND.

Two Stranded Schooners Reported by the Revenue Cutter Samuel Dexter.

The revenue cutter Samuel Dexter returned to the Brooklyn Navy-Yard to-day after a cruise on Long Island Sound. She reports having boarded, yesterday, the American schooner Lewis King, from New York to Boston, ashore on Long Island, one mile west of Montauk Point. The

schooner is loaded with clay, and stranded during the high wind of Saturday. during the high wind of Saturday.

The Dexter offered assistance, but the mate, who was aboard the schooner, declined. He said Capt. Farnham had gone to New London to seek the aid of Wrecker Scott. The vessel is high and dry, and unless the high wind goes down she will go to pieces. The crew are safe.

The Dexter also reports having come across a dangerous obstruction between Gardner's Point light and the Beacon on

across a dangerous obstruction between Gardner's Point light and the Beacon on Little Gull Island. It appears to be the wreck of a large schooner. All her spars are standing. The Dexter towed it to New

COLLECTOR MAGONE ON THE LOOKOUT. The Importation of Belgian Coal-Miners Not

of the following m Washington by Collector Magone this morning shows that the Secretary of the Treasury has taken official cognizance of the reports that arrangements are being made for a large importation of contract labor from Belgium : It is reported that the coal operators of the Lehigh region are importing or about to import 2,000 Belgian miners to take the place of the miners now on strike in that section. You are requested to be vigilant and see that no violations of the Blair Labor Contract Law are committed.

C. S. FAIRCHILD, Secretary.

Collector Magone says that there is very ittle danger that any of this army of foreign aborers will get into the country through

Quarrelled Over a Small Debt. Michael Chrisikedo, an Italian, living at 433 East One Hundred and Eleventh street, was arrigned at the Hariem Police Court this morning on a charge of selonious assault preferred by Feils Pecardo, who lives at the same place. Pecardo had borrowed 50 cents from Chrisikedo's wife some had borrowed 50 cents from Christkedo's wife some time ago. Yesterday the woman demanded pay-ment and Pecardo offered 25 cents. This was re-fused, and upon Pecardo refusing to pay any more. Christkedo procee-iced to take satisfaction. He did this effectively, for when Pecardo appeared in court this morning he was scarcely recogn zable for the amount of court-plaster and bandages on his face and head. Christkedo was held in \$300 ball for examination.

Tenement Dwellers Alarmed. A fire in the saloon of Jacob Jacobs, at 341 East Thirty-eighth st. , did damage \$800 last night. The people living in the tenement house overhead were nlarmed when the flames were discovered, but were soon quieted by the firemen.

this morning by the news that the School Commissioners had ordered the public schools to be kept closed until We nesday, Jan. 4. This means an extra day of vacation.

Don Dickinson's Famous Fivers.

An Extra Day of Vacation

Pupils in the public schools were made happy

(From a Detroit Special.)
Although Don M. Dickinson flared up when a nistake in his blography linked him to an English family, he will drive in Washington a team of splendidly matched trott rs named George III. and Charles I. The horses were recently procured for him by Ira A. Meicalf of this city. Mr. Dickinson's positive injunction was that they should be Michigan bred. He is also having his Victoris and coach made by a Michigan firm, and even the harness of the horses to Detroit and Wayne, after this city and county, the may change the royal names of the horses to Detroit and Wayne, after this city and county, the will take his servants from Michigan, and will set up in Washington a pretty complete Michigan establishment. The Postmaster-General's team are as much alike as two peas, the only difference being that one has two white hind feet and the other but one. Each is seven years old. They are gaited alike and weigh 1, 225 and 1, 225 pounds respectively; are handsome dark bays, sixteen sands one inch in height, up-headed, stylish, sound as bullets, and can trot to the pole in 2.40. George III. is a giding by Stekles's Hambletonian, by Masteriode, owned by Mr. Sickles, of Adrian. George's dain was by Mambrino, and he was bought from James Carnes, of Lenawes. Charles I. is also a geiding. If Jouis Napoleon, son of Volunteer, owned by Mr. Sickles, of Adrian. George's dain the was bred by Mr. Sickles, who has been handling the team at Adrian till they work together like a piece of machinery. Charles I. I. The horses were recently procured for Ira A. Meicalf of this city. Mr. Dickin-

DEATH OF SETH C. MOFFATT.

BLOOD POISONING TAKES AWAY ONE OF MICHIGAN'S CONGRESSMEN.

ing in the Providence Hespital, Wash-ington-A Self-Made Man who Held Many Places of Honor in His Native

State-Twice Elected to Congress. [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Congressman Seth C. Moffatt, of Michigan, died at the Providefice Hospital this morning, shortly before 7 o'clock, of blood poisoning, the result of a carbuncle on his face. The remains will

probably be sent to Traverse City, Mich., for

burial.

Seth C. Moffatt was born at Battle Creek, Mich., Aug. 10, 1841. He received a common-school education and afterwards studied law school education and afterwards studied law in the Law Department of Michigan Unives-sity, graduating in 1863. He has since been engaged in the practice of his profession, and for ten years was Prosecuting Attorney for Grand Traverse and Leelenaw counties. Mr. Moffatt was a member of the Michi-gan State Senate in 1871-2, a mem-ber of the Constitutional Commission in 1873; Register of United States Land Office at Traverse City from 1874 to 1878; member of and Speaker of the State House of Repro-sentatives of Michigan during the sessions of 1881-2; delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago in 1884, and was elected to the Forty-ninth Congress and re-elected to the Fiftieth Congress as a Republican.

Hubbell May Succeed Moffatt.

DETROIT, Dec. 22.—A special election will probably be held in the Eleventh District to elect a successor to Congressman Moffatt, who died this morning in Washington.

2,000 majority, and there is a probability that Jay A. Hubbell will re-enter politics through the vacancy made by Moffatt's death. The Eleventh District includes the upper penin-sula and is Hubbell's old stamping-ground.

The district is Republican by probably

DESERTED, SADIE TAKES POISON.

A Sensation in Boston Streets with a Love Story Behind It. ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD, 1

Boston, Dec. 22.—" Catch that woman there; she's falling!" and a couple of young men burst from the throng on Washington street yesterday afternoon just in time to save a handsomely dressed lady from falling into the street. The lady was carried into an adjacent doorway, and simple restoratives applied. A

crowd collected to watch the efforts at re-

suscitation. Suddenly a woman, pushing her

way into the group, whispered to an officer that the handsome woman was dying, and would live but a few moments if something was not immediately done.

Dr. Thayer was called, and discovered that Dr. Thayer was called, and discovered that the woman was under the influence of a pow-erful poison. As she was lifted into a hospital ambulance two pieces of paper fell from her dress and an officer gathered them up. One

DARLING ALFRED: When we were married three short years ago I little thought that anything but death would part us. How could you do so? You know how much I loved you, and nobody will never know of the grief I have suffered the last two days. Good-by for ever and ever. SADIE.

days. Good-by for ever and ever. SADE.

The other paper was a marriage certificate tied with a white ribbon and signed by a well-known clergyman. It was subsequently learned that the full name of the woman was Sadie Sidelinger, aged twenty-six, and living at 82 Poplar street. The moment she recovered sufficiently to speak, early this morning, she said to an attendant, with almost a smile upon her lips:

"Don't bother with me for I shall try to die again just as soon as you let me go free."

The woman's husband is Alfred R. Sidelinger, who, it is alleged, fled from the city while his wife was visiting relatives in Providence. He is supposed to be in Appleton, Me., as he wrote to her from that place a few days ago, saying that he was tired of his wife and had deserted her. The latter is an exceedingly handsome woman, and is said to have come from an excellent and well-to-do family of Providence.

Death at Van Buren, Ill.

THEY MOBBED THE ENGINEER. Two Hundred Persons Narrowly Escape

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD, CHICAGO, Dec. 22.-Two hundred people had a narrow escape from death at Van Buren, a station on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, about 6 o'clock last evening. They were the passengers who were about

o embark on a suburban train, and they

were obliged to cross a track to reach the cars. They were just crossing, when a freight train came rushing down the track, unheralded by either whistle or bell. Miss Lottio Launderville was instantly killed.

No sooner had the train been stopped than an angry crowd boarded the engine and attempted to lynch the engineer. Nothing but the presence of two officers on the scene

There is no excuse whatever for the accident.

He Got the Gymnasts' Watches [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 22 .- One of the most daring robberies ever known here took place at the gymnasium of the Young Men's Christian Association shout & o'clock last night and the sneak thief escaped with \$1,000 worth of booty. The thief escaped with \$1,000 worth of booty. The classes were in session as usual, the gymnasts having put their clothes and valuables in their lockers while they were so engaged. Ten of the lockers were forced open with a chisel. Many bank clerks and other well-known young business men were exercising at the time. The tulef secured watches belonging to waiter Hildreth, Lawyer W. H. Gates, a watch and chain weith \$220 belonging to George Goddard, a watch and gold chain belonging to W. L. Mellen, and \$38 in money belonging to J. F. Smith, and smaller amounts from various parties.

Exciting Race Between Railroad Trains. [From the Philadelphia Times.]

description of a race between two railroad trains and its result: "I was coming over from New York the other day by the Pennsylvania road," said he, " and as our train passed the repair shops this side of Jersey City and dashed out into the this side of Jersey City and dished out into the meadows we found ourselves neck and neck with a Morris and Essex train running at full speed. The two roads, you know, run side by side along there for two or three miles, and there is a race nearly every day. I knew there was one on then and I rather enjoyed the prospect. The Morris and Essex engine was working like mad; the spokes in its driving-wheels were flashed into one, and steam and little jets of water flew from its cylinders as the principle of the property of the control plunged in and out. It creat steadily

A gentleman whose business calls him to New York two or three times a week gives a graphic